of Water Resources has launched a Pilot Scheme "National Project for Repair, Renovation and Restoration of Water Bodies directly linked to Agriculture" at an estimated total cost of Rs. 300 crores to be implemented by states during the remaining period of the X Five Year Plan. The objectives of the scheme are to restore and augment the storage capacities of selected water bodies in the pilot districts and to recover and extend their lost irrigation potential.

12.00 Noon

PAPERS LAID ON THE TABLE

Notification of the Ministry of Finance

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): Sir, I lay on the Table under sub-section (2) of section 38 of the Central Excise Act, 1944, a copy (in English and Hindi) of the Ministry of Finance (Department of Revenue) Notification G.S.R. 268 (E), dated the 3rd May, 2005, exempting cotton yarn in various forms falling under Chapter 52 of the Central Excise Tarrif Act, 1985, removed from one factory to another for the purpose of processing during the period starting from the 1" July, 2001 and ending on the 24* March, 2003, together with an Explanatory Memorandum on the Notification. [Placed in Library, *See* No. LT.2444/05]

Report and Accounts (2003-04) of Brahmaputra Board and related papers

2. THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI PRIYA RAJAN DASMUNSI): Sir, I lay on the Table:

I. A copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following papers, under section 21 of the Brahmaputra Board Act, 1980:

(a) Annual Report and Accounts of the Brahmaputra Board, for the year 2003-2004, together with the Auditor's Report on the Accounts.

(b) Statement by Government accepting the above Report.

II. Statement (in English and Hinid) giving reasons for the delay in laying the papers mentioned at (1) above.

[Placed in Library. See No. L.T. 2450/05]

I. Report and Accounts (2003-2004) of India Tourism Development Corporation, New Delhi and related papers.

II. MoU (2005-2006) signed between Govt, of India (Ministry of Tourism) and India Tourism Development Corporation Ltd.

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM (SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY): Sir, I lay on the Table:

(1) A copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following papers, under sub-section (1) of section 619A of the Companies Act, 1956:

(a) Thirty-ninth Annual Report and Accounts of India Tourism Development Corporation Limited, New Delhi, for the year 2003-2004, together with the Auditor's Report on the Accounts and the comments of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India thereon.

(b) Review by Government on the working of the above Corporation.

(2) Statement (in English and Hindi) giving reasons for the delay in laying the papers mentioned at (1) above. [Placed in Library. *See* No. L.T.2452/05]

II. A copy (in English and Hindi) of the Memorandum of Understanding between the Government of India (Ministry of Tourism) and the India Toursim Development Corporation Limited (ITDC) for the year 2005-2006. [Placed in Library. *See* No. L.T.2451/05]

I. Notification of the Ministry of Company Affairs

II. Statement giving reasons of delay for laying 33rd Annual Report pertaining to execution of MRTP Act

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI PREM CHAND GUPTA): Sir, I lay on the Table:

I. A copy (in English and Hindi) of the Minisitry of Company Affairs Notification GSR. 450 (E), dated the 1st July, 2005, granting Nidhi status to certain companies, under sub-section (3) of section 620 A of the Companies Act, 1956. [Placed in Library. *See* No. L.T.2493/05]